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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

Attached hereto are substitute pages of the patent specification with changes made to the specification by adding the identification of the "Sequence Identification Number (SEQ ID NO:)" by the current amendment. The additional number of pages in the substitute pages after page 34 resulted from the carryover of lines from adding the "Sequence Identification Number (SEQ ID NO:)" in the specification text. The attached papers are captioned by a coversheet "Substitute Pages".

In the Specification:

On page 13, line 29, following "(such as Gly-Gly-Gly)" add by inserting --(SEQ ID NO:1)--;

page 25, line 20, following "Gln-(Trt)-L-Cys-L-Glu" add by inserting --(SEQ ID NO:2)--;